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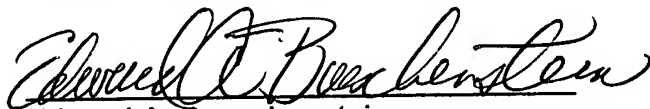
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		PAI® Parts "Catalog and Cross Reference", 1996, pgs. 70, 71
		The Timken Company, "Automotive Bearing Applications", pgs. 28-32

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